

REMARKS

The specification has been amended in accordance with the requirements to introduce a Sequence Listing. Accordingly, the specification has been amended at page 26, second paragraph; at page 32 to replace the last paragraph and at page 33 to replace the first paragraph. The amendment was required to insert the SEQ ID NO: 5; SEQ ID NO: 6 and SEQ ID NO: 7 which correspond to the nucleic acid sequences identified in the Sequence Listing, respectively. Applicants assert that no new matter has been introduced by the amendment to the specification.

STATEMENT REGARDING CONTENTS OF SEQUENCE LISTING UNDER 37 CFR §§1.821- 1.825

Applicants enclosed a computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing for the instant application as well as a substitute paper copy of the Sequence Listing. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.821, Applicants' undersigned agent states that both the CRF (CD-ROM disc) and the substitute paper copies of the Sequence Listing submitted herewith are the same.

The Examiner has issued a Ex parte Quayle Action and has stated that the pending claims, 1-6, 9-15, 21, 29, 30, and 56-64 are allowed and that prosecution on the merits is closed. In view of the present submissions, Applicants respectfully request allowance of the application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee required with this communication to Deposit Account 11-0404.

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